F-1-12 Saleuado Adamstown Private

C. 1856

Saleuado is an ell shaped two and one-half story brick residence laid in common bond five bays wide. All window and door openings in the house have wood lintels, either flat with a molding across the top or a pattern made up of blocks and two bands of reeding.

The most important feature of the farmhouse which is of typical regional architecture however, is the painted frescoes and decoration in the entrance hall, added after the house was built. Classical draped female figures are located immediately on either side of the front entrance. Border striping at the cornice, surrounding the figures, and in the center of the ceiling has been painted in gold, blue and green.

The murals and painted decoration in the hallway are believed to have been painted by Constantino Brumidi and Filip Castaggini. Both itinerant Italian artists, they reportedly came to Frederick County in search of work during a slack period in the interior painting of the Capitol building in Washington. The colors, figures and border treatment of the murals are very similar to those painted by Brumidi in the Capitol.

The land on which Saleuado was built was originally part of Charles Carroll's Carrollton Manor. When he died in 1832, Carroll's estate was left to his heirs, one of whom was Catherine Harper. In 1856, she sold a part of this estate to John B. Thomas for \$20,937. Soon after the purchase, Thomas built the two story brick residence. The signature "John C. Schuff, Mechanicstown, Maryland, September 17, 1866" is located behind a first floor mantelpiece and may reveal the name of one of the builders.

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES RECEIVED **INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM** DATE ENTERED SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS INAME HISTORIC Saleaudo AND/OR COMMON LOCATION STREET & NUMBER West side New Design Road, about 3/4 mile north of Maryland Route 28 NOT FOR PUBLICATION CITY, TOWN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Frederick Tuscarora VICINITY OF STATE CODE 24 COUNTY CODE Maryland Frederick 021 CLASSIFICATION CATEGORY OWNERSHIP STATUS PRESENT USE __DISTRICT PUBLIC _XOCCUPIED __AGRICULTURE __MUSEUM XBUILDING(S) X.PRIVATE _UNOCCUPIED __COMMERCIAL PARK __STRUCTURE BOTH __WORK IN PROGRESS __EDUCATIONAL X PRIVATE RESIDENCE __SITE **PUBLIC ACQUISITION** ACCESSIBLE __ENTERTAINMENT __RELIGIOUS __OBJECT _IN PROCESS __YES: RESTRICTED —GOVERNMENT __SCIENTIFIC __BEING CONSIDERED __YES: UNRESTRICTED _INDUSTRIAL __TRANSPORTATION _XNO __MILITARY __OTHER **OWNER OF PROPERTY** NAME Austin Renn STREET & NUMBER Route 1, Box 20 CITY, TOWN STATE Adamstown Maryland 21710 VICINITY OF LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE. REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Frederick County Courthouse STREET & NUMBER North Court Street CITY, TOWN STATE Frederick Maryland REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE _FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

F-1-12

DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

CHECK ONE

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CHECK ONE

__EXCELLENT

__DETERIORATED

__RUINS

__ALTERED

X_ORIGINAL SITE

XGOOD --FAIR

__UNEXPOSED

__MOVED DATE_____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Saleuado faces east from a lane off the west side of New Design Road near Adamstown in Frederick County, Maryland. It is an ell-shaped, two-story house of brick laid in common bond on a fieldstone basement.

The principal (east) facade is five bays wide. The main entrance, a four-panel door with recessed paneling, sidelights, and a seven-light transom is located in the center bay. On either side of it is a 6/6 sash, double-hung window with paneling below and long louvered shutters. These three bays are sheltered by a one-story porch built on a brick foundation with four wood columns supporting a roof with ornate bracketing all along the frieze. The other openings on this facade also contain 6/6 sash and have louvered shutters. On either side of the porch is a grilled window at the basement level.

All window and door openings in the house have wood lintels, either flat with a molding across the top or a pattern made up of blocks and two bands of reeding.

To the rear of the main block is a two-story brick wing with a two-story open frame porch which faces south. A four-panel door with three-light transom enters onto the porch from the first and second levels. This wing is contemporary with the main block.

The gable roof is covered with slate; a stepped brick cornice runs under the eaves. Four interior brick chimneys extend from the house in the north and south gables and from the center and west gable of the rear addition.

The floor plan of the main block has a central hall flanked by Symmetrically molded trim with corner blocks is found throughout the house. An open well staircase with simple molded handrailing, turned balusters, and circular newel rises from the center hall.

The most important feature of the interior is the painted frescos and decoration in the entrance hall, added after the house was built. Classical; draped female figures are located immediately on either side of the front entrance. Border striping at the cornice, surrounding the figures, and in the center of the ceiling has been painted in gold, blue, and green. The paintings have faded and darkened and have been subject to some water damage.

A small, brick meathouse is located southwest of the house and is now used for storage. A bake oven once attached to the building has been removed. Also located on the premises are a frame barn, a wagon shed, and a tenant house in fair condition.

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SPECIFIC DATES

1866

BUILDER/ARCHITECT John B. Thomas

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Saleuado is important as a cultural resource in Frederick County not only for its fine regional architectural style and detailing, but also for the unusual murals painted by Brumidi and Castaggini in the entrance hall of the house.

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A reference to the house and Colonel Thomas is located in Grove's <u>History of Carrollton Manor</u> as the following: "Colonel John B. Thomas owned a fine farm on Carrollton Manor and built the Palatial Mansion. He was a prominent citizen, was elected to the House of Delegates and was a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1867."

The Thomas family owned the land and house until late in the 19th century. In 1895 the property was sold at public sale for \$70.50 an acre to John T. Shafer.³ The Renn family has owned the property since 1927.

¹Frederick County Land Records, ES10/44.

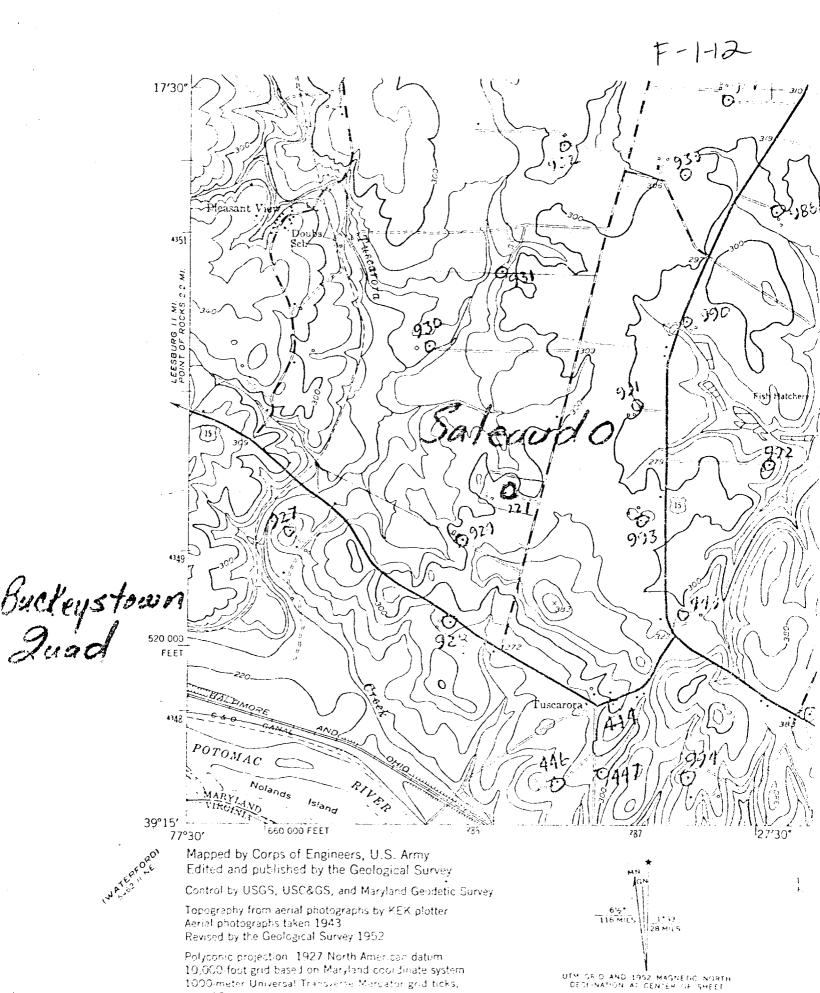
²William T. Grove, <u>History of Carrollton Manor</u>, p. 167.

³Frederick County Land Records, JLJ/427.

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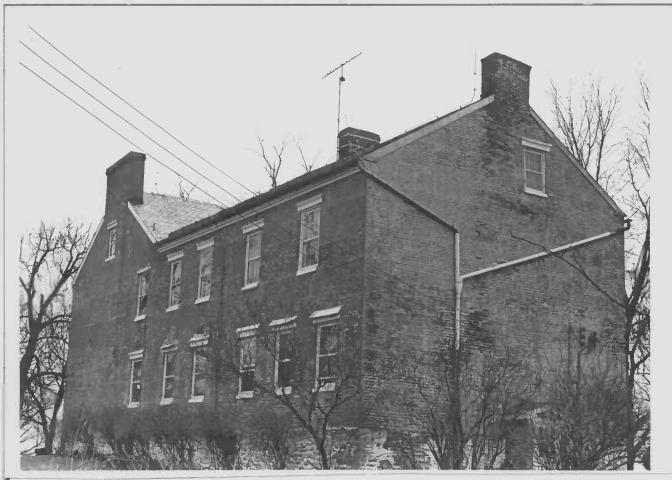
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west side New Design Road Frederick vicinity 3/78

East (front) elevation Cherilyn Widell



west side New Design Road Frederick vicinity

NW elevation

Cherilyn Widell 3/78

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w/s New Design Road

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East Elevation

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west side New Design Road Frederick vicinity

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Decoration, central hall Cherilyn Widell



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Decoration, center hall Cherilyn Widell

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